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LOCKOUT FAILS IN N. Y. DECIDE STRIKE LEAD

Assail Betrayal of the Right Wing

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—That the lockout declared by the American Cloak and Suit Sub-Manufacturers' Association against the 300 shops which have settled with the striking cloakmakers is a complete failure and that only a few of the shops closed up Friday and these only after being visited by "strong arm" gangs representing the sub-manufacturers is charged by Louis Hyman, general manager of the joint board of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, in a statement issued Friday afternoon.

Hyman also charges there is a conspiracy between Sigman and his allies in the union and the sub-manufacturers' association to break the strike and that their efforts reports in the press concerning the meeting Thursday night in Cooper Union have been so distorted as to be complete misrepresentations.

300 Shops Settled.

Hyman's statement follows:

"About 300 shops members of the American Cloak and Suit Sub-manufacturers' association have settled in-

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Current Events

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

THE Detroit Free Press bewails the alleged low standard of living of the Russian workers under the Soviet regime and urges the comforting reflection that European labor will not be encouraged by this condition to follow the path of revolution blazed by the proletariat and peasantry of the Soviet Union. In view of this doleful picture painted by the capitalist press, and if the pen hirelings of the ruling classes are so confident that labor outside of Russia is disillusioned on the merits of Sovietism, why is it that their nerves get so rattled over the possibility of the workers of other countries going on a revolutionary spree?

WE will not deny that the standard of living of the Russian workers is lower than the standard of living of the American workers. But the standard of living of the German, French and English workers is also lower than that of the American workers. There was a time when the standard of living of the English workers was higher than it is now. That was before the empire began to decline. That was when the British capitalists could afford to give their slaves a few more crumbs which they took care to extract out of the hide of their colonial slaves. But those days are gone and today we witness the phenomenon of sinking standards of living of the working classes of capitalist Europe while the living standards of the Russian workers is mounting, slowly but surely.

WHETHER the Russian workers receive fifty cents a day or fifty dollars, an onlooker can see as many rosy faces on the streets of Moscow as on the thoroughfares of Chicago. He may not notice as many fur coats, but then the installment plan system is not as much in vogue in Russia as here. And the Russian workers are more concerned with putting knowledge in their heads than fur on their bodies. They eat to live and wear clothes for the same reason, not vice versa. It seems to us that the capitalist papers are wasting a lot of good space with those tales of woe since the Russian workers insist on making progress. By the way, it is rather astounding how the Russian workers could afford to contribute over \$5,000,000 to the British miners' strike! Of course, our friend the enemy will say that the government extracted the

British Miners Still Require Outside Help

The International Workers' Aid calls for further help for the British miners. It is pointed out that even though the strike has ended, the first weeks of readjustment are hard ones on the families of the workers, and additional help is needed to tide them over until the first pay day.

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SAM: It isn't I, that is breaking into your home, but it's that neighbor of yours, named Mexico, that is breaking in.

RECOGNITION OF CANTON HINTED BY BRITISHERS

But Nationalists Are Duly Suspicious

(Special to The Daily Worker)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 13.—Great Britain, which, for the past several weeks has entirely altered its policy towards the nationalist movement in China since the great victory of the latter's armies and the setting up of a strong government at Wu-chang, is hinting at de facto recognition. The conference at Shanghai of the incoming and outgoing ministers, the changed tone of the London foreign office, the visit of Minister Miles Lampson to Hankow and various public utterances, point to the immaturity of recognition of Canton by London.

The softened policy of Great Britain has already eased the crisis of British business in China which was threatened with complete suspension.

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CONGRESSMAN PROTESTS GOVERNMENT PAYING FOR GUARDING OF CAL'S SON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—A protest against the expenditure of government funds to maintain a secret service man with John Coolidge, son of the President, a student at Amherst, was made by Rep. Byrnes of Tennessee during hearings on the treasury and post office appropriations bill.

Col. Ed. Starling, assigned to "guard" young Coolidge, draws \$3,700 annually and \$6 per day allowances.

THUGS ATTACK STRIKERS AT IRON FOUNDRY

EAST BRIDGEWATER, Mass., Dec. 13.—One striker was severely injured and twelve others were arrested following a fist fight between hired gangsters and scabs of the Old Colony Foundry company here and members of the Iron Workers' Union, on strike against the company.

The first started when Charles Blakeney, a "special officer" hired by the company, attacked William Harris, president of the union, while he was leading the pickets, and knocked him unconscious. Charles Fuller, another striker, was seriously injured in the fight that followed, when attacked by the thugs.

The town police sided with the scabs and placed the unionists under arrest.

CANTON'S ENVOY GIVEN OVATION AT BIG MEETING

China Fighting for All Oppressed—Sze Says

Sze Toa Chan, first envoy to this country of the Kuomintang government of China was greeted last night by a hall crowded with Chicago workers who came to hear at first-hand the story of the historical achievements of the Chinese liberation movement. The meeting was at Northwest Hall under the auspices of the All-America Anti-imperialist League, which, as the chairman, Manuel Gomez said, "considered it an honor to present to the workers of Chicago the representative of the victorious workers of China."

William F. Dunne, editor of The DAILY WORKER, greeted Sze Toa Chan on behalf of the Workers (Communist) Party and the revolutionary workers who are closely following the successes of the Kuomintang in China. Dunne recounted the history of the Chinese liberation movement under Dr. Sun Yat Sen and said that Sun Yat Sen's greatest contemporary and friend, Nikolai Lenin, was the first to connect up the struggles for national liberation among the oppressed people with the larger battle between capitalist imperialism as a whole and the workers of the world.

"China is an oppressed nation and I am one of an oppressed race," Sze

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A Challenge to Every Left Winger

"WE CALL FOR A WAR TO THE FINISH," says Abraham Becker, man, the Mussolini of the New York needle trades, in a call for a conference of the right wing as the opening gun of a campaign against the left wing. The call was signed by some of the leading right wingers of New York, Berger, Beardsley, Feinstein, Herskowitz, Schneiderman and Shiplacoff. These black elements have the full support of Woll, Lewis, McMahon, Sigman and the entire official machinery of the American Federation of Labor.

In this struggle against the forces of reaction, THE DAILY WORKER is the weapon of the left wing. This was clearly brought out at a recent meeting of the left wing of the needle trades in Chicago, when LEVIN'S GANGSTERS SEIZED ALL THE COPIES OF THE DAILY WORKER, which were on sale. The gangsters know their enemy. They have attacked THE DAILY WORKER, because they know it is the organ of the left wing.

The insolent challenge of the reactionaries must be answered by

every left winger and every honest worker in the United States. The unity of the labor bureaucrats against the left wing and the rank and file, must be answered by a nation-wide solidification of the left wing around its chief organ—THE DAILY WORKER. Help the fight of the left wing by keeping THE DAILY WORKER. Help the fight against milk-and-water unionism by keeping THE DAILY WORKER, the organ of militant trade unionism. The slogan of the right wing is "War on the Left Wing," "War on the Rank and File," "Peace With the Bosses." The slogan of the left wing must be, "War on the Enemies of the Rank and File," "War on the Bosses." Help THE DAILY WORKER carry the left wing slogans to the workers. KEEP THE DAILY WORKER. If you have not sent in your donation, do so at once. If you have sent in your donation, get your fellow workers to do the same, and send in another to set them an example. MAKE IT A WAR TO A FINISH against the enemies of labor. Every dollar sent to Keep THE DAILY WORKER is a telling blow for honest, fighting trade unionism.

U. S. 'MILITARY MISSION' ASKED BY PRES. DIAZ

To Legalize Presence of Marines

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Dec. 13.—Following upon the declaration made two days ago by the puppet president Diaz against "Bolshevik" Mexico, without doubt written at the direction of the United States state department, Diaz has now requested the United States to send a "military mission" to Nicaragua.

The only reason that can be found for this action, also no doubt taken at the behest of the United States chargé, is to give some sort of legalization to the presence of the large force of U. S. Marines in the country. It is solely due to the military and naval forces of the United States government in Nicaragua that Diaz is able to hold the executives that he got at the point of machine guns.

Sacasa Leads Rebels.

The liberals who are in rebellion against Diaz have proclaimed the constitutionally elected Sacasa as president. His government has been recognized by Mexico. It was because of this that Diaz was prompted to issue the statement in which he attempted to justify U. S. control of the country by pointing to the "dangers of Mexican bolshevism."

Mexico is maintaining her right to support the government which she has accorded recognition. The liberals are consolidating their forces in the interior and the big danger now is that they will be attacked and dispersed by the marines. The "military mission" from the United States might be given this task.

Marines to Move.

In any case the ground is being held for U. S. military operations against the liberals by numerous "complaints" being received by the American minister from mahogany and fruit interests that they are being unduly taxed by the Sacasa regime in towns under its jurisdiction.

Mexico Dismisses Diaz Ravings.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 13.—A spokesman for the Mexican foreign office, when shown a copy of President Diaz's inspired attack upon Mexico in which he charged that Mexico was giving armed support to the liberals under the constitutional President Sacasa, said that the declaration was not worthy of official consideration and said that Mexico was well aware of the fact that it was inspired by Washington.

Cotton Forecast.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—A cotton crop of 18,618,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight was forecast by the crop reporting board of the Department of Agriculture, based on reports up to Dec. 1.

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DECEMBER 17 IMPORTANT DATE FOR NEW YORK WORKERS; DAILY WORKER CONFERENCE IS CALLED FOR WORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Friday, December 17, will mark an important milestone in the development of the New York labor movement, with the holding on that date of the general conference of representatives from every trade union and working class organization to consider plans for making the greatest use of the DAILY WORKER for the labor movement here when the paper is published in this city.

Responses to the call for the conference sent out by L. E. Katterfeld, manager of the eastern agency of THE DAILY WORKER, indicate that the conference will be one of the largest of similar affairs ever held in New York.

The announcement that the paper is soon to be published in New York, scene of many important workers' battles during the past year, has been received with much acclaim by the workers, who realize the great weapon they will have in future struggles. The New York labor movement and the movement in nearby cities, has long been handicapped because of lack of an effective spokesman in the English language to combat the propaganda and venom of the capitalist press. The workers now realize that this handicap will be removed when THE DAILY WORKER is published in this city.

Discussion of how the unions and working class organizations can make the paper serve them in the most effective way will be the topic for the conference. The letter to the unions says: "The DAILY WORKER offers itself to you as a weapon in every struggle to fight for militant trade unionism, to organize the unorganized, to protect the foreign-born, and to help win strikes. The DAILY WORK-

DETROIT ANTI-FASCIST DEMONSTRATE AGAINST NOBILE'S BLACK SHIRTS

(Special to The Daily Worker)
DETROIT, Dec. 13.—Anti-fascist turned out in force here to demonstrate against Commander Umberto Nobile who spoke at a local theater on the journey of the Norge which he commanded in a North Pole flight and for which he was decorated by Mussolini.

Nobile was accompanied by a blackshirt "guard of honor" to and from the theater. The anti-fascist workers staged a demonstration against the blackshirts and six were arrested by the police.

PROGRESSIVES IN A. C. W. HERE STATE PROGRAM

Challenge Boss Unity Tactics of Levin

Progressive workers in the Chicago Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union have issued a statement to the membership of the union on the occasion of the election taking place today for new officers in the locals and the Joint Board. The statement reviews the changed policy of the union officials in recent years and declares that the present Levin-Rissman leadership of the Chicago union has completely failed in the necessary work of organization and maintenance of the union's standards of work.

The statement, in part, is as follows:

Collaboration Charged.

In the past few years, particularly during the year 1926, the Chicago organization has completely deviated from its past position and standing as the mass militant and progressive union in the needle trades. This came as a result of the present policy adopted by the officials, of collaborating with the employers in the increase of efficiency of production, increased production, reduction of cost thru the medium of readjustments, as well as the reduction of working forces in the shops. Not only that, but to insure what they term "peace" in the industry, they have compromised many of the union conditions essential in making working conditions bearable in the shops.

The present Joint Board and its leading officials have completely failed in their duties towards the organization and its membership.

Abandon Fight.

The militant progressive and fighting spirit that was once so vivid and outstanding in our organization has

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STARVED MINERS RETURN TO PITS IN BATTLE MOOD

Cook Says Retreat for Only a Time

By TOM BARKER,
Federated Press.

LONDON, Dec. 13. (FP)—With the signing in Sheffield of an agreement between the Yorkshire miners' officials and the owners on the basis of the 7½ hour day and pre-stoppage rates until the end of February, the British miners' strike may be considered ended. The only two outstanding districts where matters have not reached finality are Durham and South Wales.

Terms are being submitted to the miners in South Wales and the ballot is expected at once. The Northumberland ballot showed 16,288 votes for the terms and 6,251 against. The Warwickshire Association has declared the dispute at an end and orders a return. Lancashire and Scotland agree to a three years' term on an eight-hour basis, with conciliation boards with independent chairmen.

The men have literally been starved back to work. Conditions prevailing in most districts are too dreadful to describe. Hunger and destitution characterize mining areas. For the immediate future the Miners' Federation of Great Britain will aim, A. J. Cook (secretary) states, "to leave no stone unturned to rebuild its forces to remove the eight-hour day, to maintain one union and to establish a national agreement.

"This is a retreat but we shall regain our position by using our political and industrial machines. We now see by the terms offered by the coal owners that they are the results of the settled policy of their central organization. They are forcing terms on what they believe to be a defeated foe so that they can bind the men to servitude and slavery."

"By Economic Revolver"

Speaking in South Yorkshire, Cook said that terms secured by the economic revolver could only be kept while the revolver was there. Men who supported long hours that would throw out 300,000 men on the industrial scrap heap were nothing less than murderers, he declared.

The heavy steel industry will not be resumed until after Christmas because the trade is dependent on the blast furnaces for pig iron. Despite claims by the reactionary press of the return of thousands of miners before the strike end only six blast furnaces out of 457 are now in operation.

Leading business men in Sheffield predict an industrial revival and improvement in trade. John E. Wellwood, president of Belfast chamber of commerce, wants prosperity with a club thrown in.

OIL CONSPIRACY CASE MAY GO TO THE JURY TODAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Tuesday will see the final argument session of the criminal trial of Albert B. Fall, former secretary of interior, and E. L. Doheny, millionaire oil operator, charged with conspiracy to defraud the United States government, it is expected. The defense has submitted all of its evidence, which consists mainly that the \$100,000 given to Fall by Doheny was a "personal loan" and that Doheny was prompted by "patriotism" because of fear of war with Japan to take the navy oil reserves.

Goes to Jury Tuesday.

The case will probably be given to the jury on Tuesday night. Monday the government will submit its summary of the case, followed by rebuttal by the defense. Tuesday will be given over to closing arguments of both sides.

Failure of the defense to produce any evidence to show that the government was seriously afraid of war with Japan is seen as weakening their stand. The defense claimed that government archives contain documents substantiating this claim, but they were not produced because they are "secret," it was claimed. Observers can see no reason for keeping the documents secret now when the subject matter deals with a presumed situation more than five years past.

The government brought out in cross-examining Doheny that he had made another "loan" to Fall of \$5,000 to aid him in the present trial. When the counsel touched on other financial transactions between the two, the court sustained an objection.

Fall did not take the stand in the case.

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Toa Chan began, after he was introduced amidst prolonged applause from the enthusiastic audience. "Today I stand before you, a group of people who are interested and are in sympathy with the anti-imperialist movement of the oppressed people of the world."

"When I came to America I read the newspapers. I found out that some of the newspapers are not very truthful; and some are otherwise. Today I am going to tell you some of the facts the newspapers many times misrepresent.

Accused by Manchu.

"China was first accused by the Manchu, by the despotism of the Manchu dynasty. Under that government China contracted many unequal treaties with foreign powers.

"Dr. Sun Yat Sen, the great leader of the liberation movement, started a revolution against the Manchu dynasty and succeeded.

Still Oppressed.

"After the revolution in 1911, the Manchu government was overthrown. But the people were still and are still oppressed. This time not by the Manchu dynasty but by another group.

"For fifteen years Dr. Sun Yat Sen led the Chinese people against this enemy—militarism and imperialism. For all these fifteen years Dr. Sun Yat Sen fought against them persistently. Now, Dr. Sun Yat Sen is dead, but altho he is physically dead, his spirit remains; and the Kuomintang party, which is the creation of Dr. Sun Yat Sen's efforts, now continues the struggle that Dr. Sun Yat Sen started; and we hope that by our efforts, the efforts of the Kuomintang, the spirit of Dr. Sun Yat Sen will be carried to its destined success.

Part of World Movement.

"There are two phases of the work of the Kuomintang. On the one hand the Kuomintang will lead the oppressed class of the Chinese people in their fight against those who oppress them. On the other hand the Kuomintang will participate, and is part and parcel of the world movement against oppression, against imperialism.

These two jobs, first fighting against the Chinese native militarists, then second, fighting against the world imperialists on behalf of those who are oppressed—these are the tasks of the Kuomintang party.

Only First Step.

"The revolution in China is only the first step of this tremendous work. In China, the oppressed class are composed of the workers and peasants, the small merchants, the great majority of the people. On the other hand, the oppressing class in China includes the militarists, the corrupt under-dogs of the imperialists.

The first step of this movement is the struggle of the great majority of the Chinese people against the small minority which oppresses them. The policy of the Kuomintang party lays a great deal of emphasis on organization. We feel that without organization we cannot succeed; and we know that in organization lies power; in organization lies the great possibility of our struggle.

Hope in Workers.

"The greatest hope is with the workers. The organized working class of China, with the students and peasants and the small merchants, are the vanguard of the Chinese revolution."

A substantial collection was taken at the meeting to assist in the work of the anti-imperialist league on this continent. Two numbers of Chinese music, vocal and instrumental, entertained the audience between speeches.

Able Interpreter.

Mr. Chao Ting Chi, a student of the University of Chicago, interpreted for Mr. Sze Toa Chan very clearly and with great precision.

A later edition of THE DAILY WORKER will carry a fuller report of Sze Toa Chan's speech at this meeting.

Fourth Suit in Goodyear Fight.
TOLEDO, Ohio.—The fourth legal action in the fight for control of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. came with the filing of a suit in behalf of Katherine G. Benedict, asking that F. A. Seiberling, former president, be restrained from acting as voting trustee for a majority of the company's common stock. The legal actions have already been started at Akron, and a third was brought by the Summit county prosecutor, and is now before the supreme court.

BANKERS GIVE GARY COPS ARMORED CAR TO BE USED IN INDUSTRIAL BATTLES

GARY, Ind., Dec. 13.—The Gary Bankers' Clearing House Association has given the police department a gift. This gift is a Cadillac automobile—but not the kind one sees rolling around the streets. This one is an armored, bullet-proof machine, costing \$9,000, which is to be used, mainly, for quelling riots during industrial outbreaks. It is equipped with riot guns and tear gas bombs.

CHILD LABOR RISES IN MANY AMERICAN CITIES; SLIGHT FALL IN CHICAGO

(Special to The Daily Worker)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Child labor in American industries is increasing.

This fact was disclosed today by the children's bureau of the department of labor, showing child labor in 24 out of 29 larger industrial cities increased during 1925.

Among the cities, with the percentage of increased child workers in each were: St. Louis, 4.8; Milwaukee, 28.8; Detroit, 13.8; Minneapolis, 18.8. The five cities showing decreased child labor were: Washington, 67.5; Chicago, 8.8; Indianapolis, 10.8; Louisville, 14.5; St. Paul, 2.7.

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dependently with the joint board of the striking cloakmakers. These shops were ordered Thursday by the American Association of Sub-manufacturers to lock out their employees. According to our information, not more than a couple of dozen of these shops closed Friday and those have only done so after being visited by squads of strong arm men representing the employers' association.

Misrepresent Meeting.

The report appearing in some of the daily papers concerning the meeting Thursday night at Cooper Union which claim the meeting was turned into a demonstration against the strike leadership are complete misrepresentations, and I can prove them so by the following fact. I realized when the meeting started that there were disruptive elements representing Sigman and his allies in the union and the employers' association present to do what they could to prevent the meeting going unanimously in support of the strike leadership.

In order to show the numerical weakness of the antagonists, I asked for a standing vote on those who were for me and in favor of the strike leadership and those who were against me. In this vote over 2,000 stood up in support of the strike leadership and not more than a couple of dozen dissented. It was an overwhelming vindication of the strike leadership.

When I asked how many, believing the attacks from the opposition, wanted me to resign, one man only said he wished it. Now the stories appearing in some of the newspapers 'played up' the words of the handful of hecklers and left out entirely in their reports the true criterion contained in the standing vote.

"In news items it is stated I had a conference in my office with Mr. Ruthenberg, secretary of the Communist Party, at which the strike of the contractors was discussed.

I state that Ruthenberg was not in my office yesterday nor have I ever met him before. I make this statement not because I believe that it is criminal to meet Mr. Ruthenberg but I desire to point out the campaign of bluffs, lies and accusations which is being conducted by Sigman and the Jewish Daily Forward against us.

Sigman Stories.

"Stories issued about the lockout of the contractors is the work of the Sigman machine. With the exception of a few shops where gangs were sent up to force the bosses to send down their workers, the lockout was unsuccessful as the contractors are not desirous of complying with the order of the association. They are not interested in locking out their workers in order to aid Sigman in getting rid of the present administration of the joint board."

Secretary Says Navy Is Weak for Money, But Safe for Defense

WASHINGTON—The latest card to be played in the game of proving that each part of the national defense is the weakest, when appropriations are sought, comes from the navy. Secretary Wilbur in his annual report says he is short of ships, short of funds, short of men, short on aircraft.

The press statements charge that it is intended to break away from the A. P. L. and that the Department of Justice and the police will watch the meeting closely.

But he stresses how the navy has overcome these handicaps.

Sheriff Burns Down Roadhouses to Make Illinois County Dry

MARION, Ill., Dec. 12.—Raids on bootleg joints and burning of roadhouses is "drying up" Williamson county since the new sheriff, Oren Coleman, took office, officials here declare.

Four roadhouse buildings are a mass of ruins as a result of fires said to have followed the visit of several men in automobiles Tuesday night. None of the roadhouses were in operation.

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been abandoned by the present tactics and policies of the administration. This gave impetus to the employers in their demands for more readjustments, wage cuts, and relinquishing of the many union conditions that were gained thru past struggles with them. The foregoing proved wholly profitable for the employers and precisely the contrary to the Chicago membership.

False Cries.

The cry of the officials that readjustments were and are a necessity, that they had saved the Chicago market from drifting away into small towns, is a fallacy, for even those firms that received concessions and readjustments have left town, because they felt that the organization has become too weak to force organization of the workers in the small towns. To reduce our wages to the level of the unorganized workers to meet competition, is not a way to meet this problem. The way to solve this competition problem is by amalgamating all needle trades unions into one powerful union which would make it possible for a gigantic and successful organization campaign for the organization of the unorganized and thus bringing up the level of the small town earnings to those of the large organized needle trades centers.

In the face of the above, we declare that in this election we must emphatically and categorically express our sentiments against our officials and their policies and tactics. We must vote against them. A vote against Levin and company is a vote against readjustments, etc., and a vote for a better union.

Command Confidence.

This election gives us an opportunity to elect members to the joint board who not only recognize the failure of the administration's policies and tactics, as well as their incapability to lead, but members who can command the full confidence and cooperation of the entire membership for the struggle against the employers.

The welfare of our organization demands that we take full advantage of this opportunity.

Vote for those candidates whose program includes the solution of many vital problems confronting our organization.

Progressive Program.

Support the progressive candidates who accept the following program:

1. Amalgamation.
2. Forty-hour week.
3. Genuine unemployment insurance.
4. Week work, with a minimum scale of wages and a maximum standard of production.
5. No readjustments that result in either wage reduction or increase of production.
6. No reduction of working forces in shops.
7. Democratization in our union.

RIGHT WINGERS IN BOSTON GET HEARST'S HELP

Press Aids Drive on the Left Wing

By S. D. LEVINE.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 13.—Right wing elements in the needle trades unions in Boston, seeking to create prejudice against the Trade Union Educational League meeting scheduled for Tuesday night to help the striking cloakmakers of New York, are spreading "red scare" stories in the public press.

Red Scare Stories.

Hearst's Boston American, in a full-page headline tells a wild story of the "reds" planning to call a strike here of 15,000 needle trades workers and that the strike vote will be taken at Tuesday's meeting in the Scenic Auditorium at which Ben Goid of the N. Y. Furriers' Union and A. Burcovitz of the strike committee of the N. Y. cloakmakers will speak.

The press statements charge that it is intended to break away from the A. P. L. and that the Department of Justice and the police will watch the meeting closely.

Right Wing Source.

All these lies are plainly told with the object in view of creating prejudice and keeping people away from the rally to help the N. Y. strikers. Your correspondent has reliable information that this false news was given to the press by Julius Hochman, one of the Sigman machine in the Boston cloak and dressmakers' union. But the Boston needle workers are determined to know the truth and no slander and intimidation from the right wing will keep them from the meeting Tuesday night.

Send us the name and address of a progressive worker to whom we can send a sample copy of The DAILY WORKER.

AMERICAN MAKERS OF TRACTORS INVITED TO MAKE TESTS IN SOVIETS

NEW YORK—Two years ago, the tractor was a novelty in Russia. In the last two years, according to the Amorgo Trading Corporation, buying agency in this city for the Soviet government, tractors to the value of \$10,536,155 have been shipped into Russia, mostly from the United States.

Now United States manufacturers of tractors will be invited to participate in tests to be made next spring of the use of tractors with plows, cultivators, harrows, seeders, mowers, reapers, threshers, and other agricultural machinery. The tests will be held in the Northern Caucasus and the Crimea.

The Pan-Pacific Trade Union Conference Points Way to World Peace

By J. LOUIS ENGAHL.

PAUL SCHARENBERG, editor

of the Seamen's Journal, San Francisco, the official organ of the International Seamen's Union of America, writes about "Peace or War on the Pacific" in the current issue of his publication. Scharenberg selects an interesting subject for his article, one that should concern all labor. Since the members of the Seamen's Union touch all the shores of the Pacific, it might be taken for granted that Scharenberg would give his subject, a working class treatment, at least giving voice to a thin thread of solidarity with the workers of other countries. But any such illusions are quickly shattered by a reading of the article.

To be sure there is a brief note in this issue, apart from the article, setting forth that the Australian Labor party had postponed its Pacific conference. But this is as close as Scharenberg's paper gets to any working class relations in the Pacific. The Australian labor party has now completely disengaged its efforts to hold a pan-Pacific conference. It was merely a countermove against a similar attempt made by the New South Wales, Australia, trade union congress this latter effort having now been endorsed by the third all-Australian trade union congress and the date for the holding of this pan-Pacific trade union conference having now been set for May 1st, 1927, at Canton, China. Thus the Seamen's Journal, in its small way, lends itself to the enemies of the pan-Pacific unity of labor.

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RECOGNITION OF CANTON HINTED BY BRITISHERS

But the Nationalists Are Duly Suspicious

(Continued from page 1)
Due to the numerous strikes called by the Kuomintang against British firms. Some strikes in Canton and Hankow have been suspended by the Kuomintang as the result of the changed attitude of Great Britain.

Are Not Fooled.

But the Cantonese are not fooled by the new policy of British imperialism. They are well aware of the fact that Britain is taking the present course only because she has been forced to. The sweeping victories of the Kuomin-chun armies have made the counter-movements of the northern generals upon which Britain previously relied, hardly feasible. The great British concession at Hong Kong was practically crippled by the strikes of the Cantonese and this was also the case in the big treaty ports where British business is a large factor.

The nationalists, while welcoming the cessation of hostilities with the British in order to get time to consolidate their gains and strengthen their dominion over the two-thirds of China now under Kuomintang control, are nevertheless wary of British designs.

Expose British Aim.

One of the Kuomintang leaders had the following to say in a nationalist paper:

"Our British friends need not think they can divert our set purpose to get full recovery of our national rights by an obviously expedient gesture of friendship and promising to recognize the Kuomintang as the de facto government."

Contempt Club Weapon.

While we realize the advantage of our national position of such recognition at this time, nevertheless all powers must recognize the situation soon that our party directs the real political evaluation of this country and carries the only hope of a stable solution."

Feng Defeats Northerners.

PEKING, Dec. 13.—The Kuomin-chun armies under General Feng Hu Hsiang have fought their way thru Shensi province and are now marching to the occupation of Honan, driving back Gen. Liu Chen-Hu, ally of Chang Tso Lin, Manchurian war lord.

Gen. Liu appealed for aid to Gen. Wu Pei Fu, who could not give help due to numerous desertions from his fast dwindling ranks. He has also appealed to Chang Tso Lin, whose troops are hesitating in their attack upon the nationalists.

The Kuomin-chun armies, sweeping in from the west thru Honan are driving towards Changchow at which point they hope to make a juncture with the Cantonese armies pushing up from the south.

Costly Fire in Japan.

TOKYO, Dec. 13.—A fire which swept Namzu, prefecture of Shizuoka, left ten persons dead, 7,000 homeless, and did property damage to the extent of \$2,500,000.

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SOVIET SCIENTISTS ANNOUNCE STARTLING MEDICAL DISCOVERY

MOSCOW, Dec. 13.—A startling contribution to science has been made here. Scientists have just perfected a machine whereby the blood may be kept circulating after the heart and lungs have ceased to function.

The first test, made on the head of a dog completely severed from the body, resulted in signs of life while the blood was made to flow thru the brain. The ears moved and the eyes reacted to light. Artificial circulation, as a result of the discovery, may soon be an everyday occurrence and prove revolutionary in cases of apparent death.

ASKS CONGRESS FOR MORE TEETH IN TRUST LAWS

Sargent Urges Greater Court Power

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Important changes in the law pertaining to federal court contempt proceedings, especially applicable to anti-trust cases, are recommended by Attorney General Sargent in his report to congress.

The judicial code should be amended to provide for punishment in criminal contempt proceedings, either in the district in which the violated decree was entered or in the district where the act consisting the contempt was committed. Sargent said. Under the present law contempt may be punished only in the judicial district where the court decree violated was entered.

Contempt Club Weapon.

The contempt law is the chief means of enforcement of anti-trust decrees. As the law now stands long delay and heavy expense are involved.

Other recommendations were: legislation making escape of prisoners from federal jurisdiction a crime; legislation to harmonize penalties imposed and classification of offenses in the federal reserve, war finance, farm loan and intermediate credit acts; authority to increase salaries of United States attorneys and assistants.

Germany Is Rapidly Becoming Commercial Power, Reports Banker

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Germany is again rapidly assuming a leading position in world trade, reported Herman Hachmeister, vice-president of the George M. Foreman company, New York bankers, who has just returned from a German visit.

Great changes have been produced by a "new spirit" in Germany since 1925, he said. Unemployment has decreased 25 per cent, and business failures are considerably fewer, he said. Bank deposits and savings deposits have shown increases, he declared, indicating the people are prosperous.

Use your brains and your pen to aid the workers in the class struggle.

POLICE METHODS AT WEST END OF COUNTY GET JOLT

Agustin Moralez Injured Internally by Blows

The smooth running of employers' injustice in the west end of Cook county, in the case of the Mexicans arrested after the shooting affair at Melrose Park last Tuesday, is being badly interrupted.

Mary Belle Spencer, attorney for the Mexican consulate, took physician from the John B. Murphy Hospital to Melrose Park, to make an examination of Agustin Moralez, who had been beaten by the officers who arrested him. Mrs. Spencer got the doctor into the jail by a ruse. When the turnkey learned who the man was, he was greatly enraged and refused to remove Moralez from the cell. The doctor thereupon had the prisoner strip in his cell, and found his body badly bruised from blows from revolvers and brass knuckles. In one place, the imprint of the side of a revolver was plainly visible. In addition it was found that Moralez was injured internally in the abdomen, with a bad gash on the skull.

Chief Justice Act.

On Saturday morning, Mrs. Spencer appeared before Judge Wm. J. Lindsay, chief justice of the criminal courts, and presented informally Moralez's case. When she informed the judge that she intended to have warrants sworn out against the two Oak Park policemen who had arrested Moralez, the judge approved the move. She also asked that the prisoner's present physical condition be looked into.

From the courtroom, the lawyer went to the county jail. Soon after she began talking with Moralez there, he having been transferred from Melrose Park, a jail official came running in, saying that Moralez was wanted at once. He was taken away. When later Mrs. Spencer asked the cause, she was pleased to learn that it had been on orders of the chief justice himself, who had asked that Moralez be examined at once by the jail physician. The doctor from the Murphy Hospital, earlier in the week, had thought that even death might result from the brutal beating the man had received. The two Oak Park officers who arrested Moralez are Larsen and Lindblad. They are likely to face charges of assault with a deadly weapon and assault with intent to commit murder.

The Other 36.

The other 36 Mexicans arrested at Melrose Park last Tuesday were taken to jail. On that day, when the Mexican consul was there, he was assured by the chief of police that they would all be released that afternoon. Instead they were run thru police court that night, with no lawyer, no interpreter, and so far as they could understand English, with no witness called against them. A fine of \$50 and costs was slapped on all of them. All but one or two have paid their fines and are out. When Mrs. Spencer asked Judge L. DeFranco about it, he said that there was strong evidence that all were in a conspiracy to start a riot. She replied that there had been no disorderly conduct on their part—that they were either entirely innocent or all guilty of being accessories to the fact of a murder.

A Test Case.

It is proposed by the Mexican consul to put up bonds for the appearance in court of one who has not yet paid his fine and carry the case to the criminal court on an appeal. If that wins, the case against all, except Moralez, will fall and the fines will have to be refunded.

Meanwhile, Moralez, who is still suffering badly, will be held in the county jail, pending the verdict of the coroner's jury when it meets at the adjourned inquest on Jan. 5 at Melrose Park.

The entire unfortunate affair, as stated by THE DAILY WORKER, which has made a careful investigation, seems to have resulted from a fake telephone alarm, which the Melrose Park police took without even asking who was doing the telephoning. As a result Officer Stahl is dead, Officer Kolwitz badly wounded, and untold brutality inflicted on a large number of Mexicans.

Criminal action will probably also be taken against members of the Melrose Park police force, for beating inflicted on some of the 36, some of whom were hit with brass knuckles, had teeth knocked out, and were otherwise mauled and pounded up.

Building and Mortgage Figures in Vast Totals

According to the F. W. Dodge Corporation's review, November construction in the midwest and throughout the country is so large that the total for this year bids fair to exceed that of 1925. In the 37 states east of the Rocky Mountains, which represents 91 per cent of the total, the building contracts let during the past eleven months total \$5,812,518,900.

From other sources comes the information that the principal houses handling real estate mortgage bonds have disposed of \$664,000,000 worth so far this year. This is more than four times the total for 1922.

News in Brief

Forty Millions from Muslo.

NEW YORK.—The Victor Talking Machine Co. has been sold to the banking firms of Speyer & Co. and Seligman & Co. for \$40,000,000. Edward R. Johnson, president of the corporation which amassed huge profits from "canned music," announced the sale of his controlling ownership because of failing health. The sale is taken in financial circles to mean that the company is beginning to launch a vigorous campaign against competition of the radio.

Arrest Airplane "Spy."

PARIS.—Charged with procuring important documents in regard to the French airplane industry for another nation, Herbert Franzel, a young German aviator, is held by police here. Franzel was employed by an airplane factory here. He was suspected by police, and when searched it is claimed the documents were found on his person. Government officials were much excited over the arrest.

Result of Race Aspirations.

LET US say from the very outset that our approach is a friendly one. The U. N. I. A., in our opinion, is the result and an expression of the aspirations of the great race for freedom and equality. The U. N. I. A. can point out with pride that it suc-

Messages of Marcus Garvey

causes them to oppress the weaker peoples for the benefit of "their own" people. To quote from Garvey's message (Negro World, November 27, 1928):

Recognizes Race Conflict.

"The atmosphere is so charged

with racial (emphasis mine) discord and conflict, that it seems my duty as leader of the Universal Negro Improvement Association to guide and direct the followers of our cause and the race as a whole, as to prevent

the substance of these messages and see to what extent they help to develop the struggle of the Negro masses against the double oppression as a race and as workers.

Now more than ever, there seems to be a universal effort to deceive, exploit and then destroy the leaderless mass of the weak and unfortunate peoples of the world. While in the one breath the world's leading statesmen and leaders speak of the larger humanity, and the desire for peace, we find them in the other selfishly working for the enthronement of their capitalist exploiters.

British Strike Revealing.

The most outstanding recent manifestation of this struggle was the general strike of the British workers. This strike clearly manifested how little there is in common between the "leading statesmen" of Great Britain—the British capitalist government—and the exploited British workers. Similar divisions manifest themselves in the United States in the great strikes of the steel workers, mine workers, and railroad workers. The capitalist government in every instance stepped in and sent its troops against the strikers, thus helping the capitalists to fight the workers.

The Great Conflicts.

There are therefore conflicts between the poor and the rich, between the oppressed and the oppressors, between the exploited and the exploiters. The poor, the oppressed, the exploited, including within its ranks workers and farmers of all races and nationalities; the rich, the oppressors, the exploiters, likewise consisting of men of various races and nationalities.

Goal is End of Capitalism.

The historic significance of the great conflicts of today is that they are struggles to abolish forever the capitalist system of exploitation, and with the fall of the capitalist system all forms of exploitation, of oppression, of race discrimination will cease. The historic example of Russia proves that such will be the case. With the overthrow of the capitalist rule in Russia all the oppressed peoples of Russia attained full freedom and equality. This condition was brought about thru the joint struggle of the workers and poor peasants inhabiting Russia. There are numerous other examples of joint action of the working people of different races acting in harmony against their common oppressors. We shall mention here the demonstrations of the French workers against the war waged by the French imperialists against the Rifians; the demand of the British workers that the capitalist government of Great Britain keep its hands off China; the demand of the advanced section of the American workers led by the Workers (Communist) Party for complete independence and freedom of the peoples oppressed by American imperialism—the Filipinos, the Haitians, the Negroes.

As in Russia, the liberation of the oppressed of all races from the yoke of the American imperialism can and will be brought about only thru the joint struggle of all the oppressed elements.

Must Unite.

WE stand for such united struggle of all working class organizations against all forms of racial discrimination, against segregation and lynchings, for full constitutional rights, for social equality for the Negro. Divided into rival racial groups the workers will never win. Let the U. N. I. A. recognize this and it will develop into a powerful and militant organization that will register great victories for the race here and now.

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ceeded in uniting large masses of own peoples to the disadvantage of others."

The Conclusion.

THE theory of racial egotism leads to the conclusion: each race for itself. No alliances with other oppressed races, for, should they win, they would also tend to dominate over other peoples or races. If this theory is adopted, then we are faced with the outlook of an eternal struggle between the races, a struggle until the strongest race will subjugate or exterminate all of its weaker rivals.

NOLL PROMISES A. F. OF L. HELP IN 'EFFICIENCY'

Offers Trade Unions for "Co-operation"

(Special to The Daily Worker)
NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—As one more step in the public campaign of the officials of the American Federation of Labor for "management-employee co-operation," Mathew Woll, a vice-president of the A. F. of L., spoke before the American Society of Mechanical Engineers meeting here and advocated increase of efficiency in production.

Take "Workers' Ideas."

The average workman," Woll said, "develops a technical knowledge of his job and thinks of ways his work might be better done, waste eliminated and time and energy saved. Because of his intimate contact with job details and his specialized knowledge he can suggest improvements which are outside the experience of management and so make a specialized contribution. When he has no channels through which to voice his ideas, they are lost to the industry. But if the means can be found to make these ideas available for practical use, a working force of men intent upon increasing efficiency can be developed and a chance for all men to find creative expression in their work will be provided."

"Share in Enterprise."

"This means must come thru cooperation between management and men to increase production efficiency," said Woll. "But in order that the workers may join with the management in whole-hearted co-operation, certain conditions are necessary. They must have confidence and they must feel responsible for their share in the common enterprise; they must know that the management will give them the chance to put their ideas into practice when they are worth while, since management is the controlling force. Especially they must know that when profits result from their efforts they will receive their full share. Only under such conditions can the workers' full mental energy be liberated for their work."

Woll promised that trade unions affiliated to the American Federation of Labor stood ready to be the medium thru which this collaboration for increased production can be effected. He was followed by a Chicago engineer who told the convention that the conveyor system would cut down production and pay-roll costs by over 20 per cent. A large number of workers could then be "released" for work in other fields and in industries yet to arise.

Judge May Be Tried Despite Resignation

WASHINGTON — Notwithstanding the resignation of Federal Judge William English, of the East Illinois district, the impeachment proceedings against him may continue. Representative LaGuardia of New York is opposing the motion to drop the proceedings, insisting that the trial be held before the senate.

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Premier's Son and Lady Mosley Offer Fun for Spoofers

LONDON.—Tory papers are refusing to take "Mrs. Mosley" seriously. When she recently toured America she was Cynthia Mosley. Now that her husband, Oswald Mosley, is standing for parliament from the poor district of Smethwick, she has dropped the title and insists on the "Mrs." The papers also jest about her appearance in furs and diamonds, before audiences in overalls.

To add to the fun, it is reported that Oliver Baldwin, the premier's son, will speak in Mosley's campaign and denounce his father's government.

INVESTIGATION INTO BUTLER'S CAMPAIGN ASKED

Coolidge Friend Spent Quarter Million

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 13.—The Liberal Civic League of Massachusetts, thru its counsel, Conrad W. Crooker, has telephoned to U. S. Senator James A. Reed, asking his aid in investigating "the staggering amounts of money received and expenditures incurred by the republican state committee of Massachusetts in connection with the campaign to elect Butler to the senate."

Crooker's telegram, made public, says: "As general counsel Liberal Civic League of Massachusetts, a non-partisan civic organization of statewide scope, I desire to respectfully call your attention to staggering amounts of money received and expenditures incurred by republican state committee of Massachusetts in connection with campaign to elect Butler to senate, as shown by returns covering period from July 1 to Nov. 20, last, filed Wednesday of this week and today available for inspection, which show receipts of \$123,848.55 and expenditures and liabilities aggregating \$235,789.31."

Report Shows Discrepancies.

"There is an unexplained and unitemized liability in favor of one H. M. Richmond of \$62,263.45 and a discrepancy of over \$50,000 between amounts of cash itemized and received and amount of expenditures admittedly made."

If the senate was shocked by Newberry expenses aggregating \$190,000, it would seem that the amount here expended and incurred in excess of \$230,000, which is probably no more than a quarter of what was actually expended and incurred, as a matter of fact should receive the immediate attention of your committee and should certainly justify legislation by incoming congress making it impossible for such an enormous amount of money to be spent by any group whatsoever."

Start Drive to Get
Property Tax Rate
Here Cut in Half

Declaring that the net balance of \$18,326,000 on the general revenue fund of the state of Illinois, justifies a tax reduction, the Chicago Civic Federation has launched a drive to have at least 45 cents per \$100 property value slashed from the 85 cents now assessed. The federation maintains that 40 cents is sufficient tax. This would relieve Illinois property owners of paying \$14,000,000 in taxes to the state every year.

The federation also points out that there is discrimination against the small property owners in favor of the large corporations, because the corporations obtain reduction in their assessed value by appearing in court, while this is impossible for the small taxpayers.

The tax board, including Gov. Small, Oscar Nelson, state auditor of public accounts, and Omer N. Custer, state treasurer, is expected to announce the new tax rate soon.

Chicago Bank Floating Huge Loan for Germany

The Harris Trust and Savings Bank of Chicago is negotiating with the Vereinigte Industrie Unternehmungen, a German corporation, for the floating of a \$10,000,000 bond issue as a loan to the company. The issue will probably be put on the market thru the Chicago banking house next week.

The German company is a holding corporation for a number of utilities in Germany.

Chicago Readers, Attention.

The Chicago office of the General Relief for Passaic Strikers has received several bundles of clothing donated by readers of THE DAILY WORKER in response to a recent appeal. These clothes will be sent to Passaic within a couple of days. If you have any more clothes that you can spare, remember that the strikers need them very badly.

The days are getting colder and they cannot afford to buy warm things — give all you can. Let us make a real large Christmas package for strikers. Send all packages to the Chicago office, General Relief for Passaic Strikers, 328 W. Van Buren street.

REED COMMITTEE WILL CONTINUE ELECTION PROBE

Stench of Corruption Engulfs Senate

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The political pot boiled over in congress when the Reed committee decided to re-open its inquiries into the senatorial primaries in Pennsylvania, Illinois, Oregon and Arizona.

This action was taken in order to hear witnesses missed at the earlier sessions of the committee. The hearings will be confined to the senatorial primaries in each of these states.

Dill Resolution Uppermost.

The senate is now chiefly concerned with the resolution introduced by Sen. Dill to bar forever Smith of Illinois and Vare of Pennsylvania from entering the senate halls. Dill's resolution provides that they should be disallowed privileges of senators-elect. This will refer to the present session, but if passed, there is no doubt that the next congress will take the same action.

The republicans, who are bearing the brunt of all charges, are attempting to sidestep the issue by referring the resolution to the senate committee on judiciary affairs.

Democrat involved.

The G. O. P. got some satisfaction out of a democratic faction from Tennessee charging Senator Lawrence D. Tyson, democrat, with spending \$1,800,000 in his senatorial campaign two years ago. A request for an immediate investigation was before the senate elections committee, but no action will be taken on it until next week when Tyson's accusers will come here to explain their charges.

Burton Regrets That Outlook Is Not Fair for Joining of Court

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Representative Theodore E. Burton of Ohio, delegate to the recent meeting at Geneva of the preparatory commission for a disarmament conference, expressed regret that the "outlook is not bright" for United States joining the world court in addressing a meeting here to discuss causes and cure of war.

Burton said he hoped the league would accept America's reservations so the United States could join. He also deplored the attitude of the senate on the matter.

America favors disarmament, anyway said Burton, but added that disarmament is not practical until all nations carry it out.

Sanitary Board Cuts Down by 700 Employees

The department of maintenance and operation of the Chicago sanitary district was wiped out when Frank J. Link, Deneen republican on the board, voted with four democrats. It had been established as a separate department by the republicans and is now turned back to Chief Engineer Edward J. Kelly.

With it goes 700 employees of the sanitary district, drawing an aggregate salary of a million dollars. Incidentally the committee on employment which had been made up of the whole board was reduced to three members, all democrats.

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Royal Mail Steamship Line Negotiating to Purchase More Lines

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Shortly after completing the purchase of the White Star Line, the Royal Mail steamship company is now negotiating for the purchase of two more steamship lines, it is reported. Prices have been offered for the Leyland line and the Red Star Line. The offer amount has not been revealed, but it is reported that the owners of two lines are considering acceptance.

The Royal Mail is now the largest shipping company in the world and is rapidly gaining control of the major portion of the industry.

M'KINLEY DEATH RAISES ISSUE ON ILLINOIS GRAFT

Will Governor Appoint Smith, Is Question

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 13.—The death of Senator William B. McKinley at Martinsville Tuesday has definitely raised the issue as to whether Gov. Emil Small will appoint Frank L. Smith, Illinois senator-elect, to fill the vacancy for the short session of congress.

McKinley, who was defeated in the republican primary election by Smith, died following a long illness. His death was expected for some weeks, and the problem of who will be appointed to fill his vacancy in the senate has been disturbing republican political leaders for some time.

Will Precipitate Storm.

If Gov. Small appoints Smith the ensuing proceedings that are certain to be started against him because of the slush fund contributed by Samuel Insull will be precipitated in the present session of congress. Reports from the state capitol indicate that Small is considering the appointment of Smith, altho the governor has refused to make a public statement.

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Want Amendment of
N. Y. Labor Law to
Escape Court Rule

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 13.—Amendment of the state labor law to prevent it coming under the decision of the U. S. supreme court in the decision on the constitutionality of the Oklahoma eight-hour and prevailing rate of wages law was recommended by the executive board of the New York state federation of labor meeting here. The amendment should provide for a plan for ascertaining prevailing wages, the board said, and create an automatic penalty for violation, including guaranteed recovery by the worker from the employer of the difference between the wages paid and the prevailing wage.

Attorney General Ottinger has intimated that the New York law may be declared void under the Oklahoma decision, and this prompted the action of the federation.

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ZAUSNER TRIES TO BLOCK PROBE IN MONEY GRAFT

Painters' Union Appeals "Exoneration"

By a Worker Correspondent.
NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The latest development in the investigation of the charges preferred by Painters' Local 905 against the officers of District Council 9 of New York are as follows:

The accusing local has appealed to the general executive board of the painters' brotherhood against the report of the trial committee, which completely exonerated Phil Zausner, day secretary of District Council No. 9, from all the charges of misappropriation of union funds and misconduct of office. It has also preferred new charges against the same officials, for a conspiracy on their part to block the investigation of their misconduct.

International President Hadrik has appointed a certain Doyle, former business agent of the painters at Buffalo, and a notorious floor leader of the brotherhood executive board at the convention, to take no action until such time as he will be able to give a complete audit report on the books of the district council.

Zausner Cries Frame-Up.

Zausner appeared before Local 499 and said that the charges were nothing but a frame-up and a political trick to get him out of office. He was answered by Thomas Wright, secretary of Local 905, who said that Zausner was blocking every road to an impartial investigation, that the official books of the district council had been moved out of the state of New York, and therefore are not available to the prosecution, that even by the meager evidence of the business minutes he would challenge Zausner to an investigation by a public accountant. He said that he and his local would pay the expense of such an investigation if it would prove the accused innocent of the charges.

Would Try Violence.

A very tense atmosphere prevailed throughout the discussion, and at times it seemed as if the situation had progressed to a stage of slugging. It was noticed and commented on by the members that were present that Zausner actually had some of the strong-arm forces around him. One of them, a man by name of Fried, who, as handy man to the official machine, is himself implicated in the graft, made himself conspicuous during the whole meeting by playing the role of a provocator of violence.

It is significant also that the New Leader, a socialist weekly and formerly a strong supporter of Zausner, is taking a stand against him in its latest issue, in which it prints an article condemning the graft in the offices of the district council.

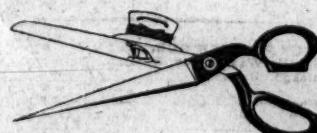
Steelworkers Inspired by Weisbord's Message

By a Worker Correspondent.

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, Dec. 13.—Albert Weisbord, leader of the Pascall textile strike, addressed large meetings of steel workers in Mahoning Valley and left no doubt in the minds of his listeners that the lessons of Passaic will greatly aid the steel workers when the ever-growing demand for industrial organization is either recognized by the A. F. of L. or the workers themselves organize and demand entrance into the American labor movement.

The heroic struggle of the textile workers and their loyalty to their class and their union brought forth applause from the steel workers. Heartened by the struggle of the textile workers the steel workers are preparing to take advantage of the lessons learned.

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Worker Correspondence

1000 WORKER CORRESPONDENTS BY JANUARY 13 1927

CHICAGO WORKER RESPONDS TO CALL FOR INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE AND WRITES TO THE WORKERS IN RUSSIA

International worker correspondence, the writing of letters by workers in America, Russia, France and Germany, telling of industrial conditions in each country, is gaining momentum. The DAILY WORKER is here printing a letter written by a Chicago worker, James Krock, that he has sent to Pila, official organ of the Woodworkers' Union in Moscow. Krock recently visited in the Soviet Union and caught the spirit of worker correspondence there. He is, therefore, writing and receiving letters in regard to industrial conditions in the United States and in the Soviet Union. Krock is a member of the Chicago class in worker correspondence.

Krock's letter follows:

Editor Pila,
Official Organ of the Woodworkers'
Union.
Moscow.

Dear Comrade:

Two months ago, while in Moscow, I promised the comrades in the office of the central committee of the Woodworkers' Union that I would write of the life and conditions of the workers in the United States.

Upon my arrival I had to look for a job, and since jobs are not so plentiful here as before I left the States in early spring, it took some time before I could concentrate on writing letters.

Workers Eager for Facts.

I found workers very anxious to learn about the conditions in Soviet Russia in every country I passed on my way back. Especially in Czechoslovakia, where I spent most of my time in Europe, every man I met, regardless of his political belief, was anxious to find out if the stories written in the papers about Russia are true. No matter where I was, if people found out that I had been in the land of the Soviets, I was besieged by questions of all kinds. And my impression was that when the full knowledge of what is going on in your country gets to the minds of a majority of the workers the world over, capitalism will shake in its foundation.

More Indifferent Here.

The workers in the United States are far more indifferent to Soviets than the workers in Europe. The reason possibly is that the American proletariat is still economically better off, and also is more efficiently saturated with "democracy" and "free country" bunk.

In spite of this, in the factory where I work now every worker I spoke to is glad to hear my report on the conditions there. Almost all are foreign-born and we have very interesting discussions on Russia during lunch time. The wood carvers in this picture-frame factory—there are seven of us—are working eight hours a day. The rest of the workers labor nine hours.

The reason is that we have a union and they have not. A few years back there was an organization of all the workers in the picture-frame industry, but it lasted only about three years. Lack of honest leadership and concentrated efforts of the bosses broke up the union!

These workers, joiners, machine hands, finishers, many thousands of them, are paid very little comparatively—\$16 to \$35 a week; while carvers in the industry get \$1.15 per hour, due to efforts of the union, led by progressive bloc in it.

Haven't Learned Lessons Yet.

Agitation started by this progressive block to take into the organization all the other workers engaged in the industry did not meet with success, due to the ignorance of the membership of the merits of an industrial union as compared to a pure and simple trade union, altho there were several lessons in the past few years, which showed the incompetency of the union's government!

Comradely yours,

James Krock,

Chicago, Ill.

In architectural and special, so-called custom shops the carvers get as much as \$1.90 per hour.

Big Shops Unorganized.
The biggest furniture shops in Chicago are as yet open shops. All efforts to organize them 100 per cent failed. The bosses use all their resources to prevent the organization of their workers.

Enclosed you will find an International Wood Carver, our monthly journal, for your information as to the statistics of the union.

I will write a letter stating my experiences in Soviet Russia to this journal, and hope they will publish it.

If you can send a letter in English to this trade union paper about the conditions in the trade over there it would be a very good start towards closer relations of the workers of both countries.

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In the Transcaucasian republic the construction of 13 stations is contemplated and work has already been commenced upon six of these. During the next economic year 2,400 Siberian farms in the Primor district will also be electrified.

Four Completed.

To date four of these have been completed, while that at Volkovostrov, the largest in the Soviet Union, is fast drawing near completion and will commence operations during 1927. The latter station is situated on the Volchova river at a point where it is 160 fathoms deep. A dam 320 feet long has been built across the river, which will cause the water to fall over it for a distance of five fathoms. The capacity of the station will be 40,000 horsepower and it will be able to provide 240,000,000 kilowatt hours per year to Leningrad and the surrounding district.

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NEGRO WORKERS BAITED BY COPS IN EAST CHICAGO

Promiscuous Arrests Being Made

By JOSEPH SIMINOFF.
(Worker Correspondent)

EAST CHICAGO, Ind., Dec. 13.—Because a few crimes have been committed in which Negroes are said to have been implicated, the East Chicago police have instituted a reign of terror against the Negroes. They have begun to arrest every Negro man, woman and child they meet. No Negro, no matter how law-abiding, is safe from these raiders.

Denied Rights.

The constitutional rights of those arrested are not considered. They are held unbooked, are denied the right of counsel and held without privilege of communication.

Places in Filthy Jail.

Many of the innocent arrested are young people and are cast into cold, filthy jails with the lowest types of criminals. The conditions in these holes are unsanitary and men sleep on the floor in herds.

School Children Made Victims of "Drives" for Capitalistic Work

By a Teacher Correspondent.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—In our school our children are being asked to give to another drive for money. This drive is, of course, very timely. We are raising funds with which to buy presents to sell at the Christmas stockings for the sick soldiers.

Our school is in a very poor section. Most of our mothers go out to work every day, leaving little children at home. But the drives never pass us by.

"Children," urges the teacher for this season's drive, "these soldiers are in the hospitals because they were hurt in the big war. This war was fought before any of you were born. Some of these men are blind, some deaf, some have lost an arm or a leg."

"Little children, who are going to have a bright (?) Christmas themselves, can help these sick men to be happy on Christmas Day."

The nickels and pennies followed this plea.

This is only one of the many occasions for drives. We have given to Thanksgiving in the hospitals, we have brought cans of condensed milk for Near East relief. We save our pennies for Junior Red Cross, and for Jefferson's home in Monticello, and also for revamping the ship "Old Ironsides."

The Tools.

There are carving machines in all the larger furniture shops, which do away with a great deal of hard carving. They cut out 18 pieces at a time and the carver must go over and put the life into the work, 75 per cent of the work is done by machine.

Some furniture firms have as many as 10 of these machines, employing from 10 to 30 hand carvers. They turn out an enormous amount of furniture.

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Here are the prizes:

1—"My Heresy," by Bishop Brown, a book destined for as great a popularity as the author's first one. Cloth-bound.

2—"Awakening of China," by Jas. H. Dolsen. A book to be read TODAY by every worker.

3—"My Flight From Siberia," Leon Trotsky's famous story.

OPTICAL WORKERS ARE DETERMINED TO WIN IN FIGHT

Strike Result of Much Exploitation

By JOSEPH SIMINOFF.
(Worker Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Since 1903 the optical workers of New York City have been fighting for the recognition of an optical workers' union in their industry. They have made three unsuccessful attempts thru strikes to organize the industry under the leadership of the American Federation of Labor. On each of these occasions the A. F. of L. has betrayed them and left the workers to the mercy of the bosses.

Conditions Grow Worse.

The conditions in the industry grew worse. Organization became more and more necessary to the workers to meet the onslaught of the optical board of trade. Altho highly skilled workers, the average pay of an optician is between \$30 and \$35 a week. Notice has been served by the optical board of trade that the workers will have to accept a wage cut of 20 per cent. This wage cut was imposed by the earthen efforts which the optical workers put into perfecting and preparing their organization for a militant struggle against the bosses.

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Many Out of Jobs in Los Angeles; Facing Army Life or Prison

By L. P. RINDAL.
(Worker Correspondent)

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 13.—This is written not far from the slave market. Thousands are idle. Very little work to do. Altho the community chest day proclamation helped some, the charity drive was a failure. Military men looking for recruits are to be seen everywhere downtown. Los Angeles has had more rain than usual this season, so that, too, ought to help increase the "cannon fodder" harvest a great deal. The whole police force is hunting vagrants.

What are you going to do, boys? Join the army, or go to jail? But, before you answer, listen to what Maj. Gen. William J. Snow, chief of field artillery, has to say: "The most vital, the most neglected and the most harmful evil

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A Stoopigeon Takes the Stand

The Minneapolis Daily Star, of Nov. 9, carries an editorial entitled, "A Disillusioned Bolshevik" and the "Bolshevik" is none other than the stoopigeon Morris Gordon who went to Russia after the war, ostensibly to render service to the revolution, but actually on the instructions of the intelligence department of the United States.

The Minneapolis Daily Star, which features at its masthead Samuel Gompers' slogan: "God bless our American institutions. May they grow better day by day," was founded with the funds of the farmers and workers of the northwest and its former editor, Thomas Van Lear, was once elected mayor of Minneapolis on the socialist ticket. The Star took the money and left the farmers holding the bag.

The Star fears that congress, when it gets into swing, will be agitated for Soviet recognition by Senator Borah and others who believe that American interests will be best served by having diplomatic and commercial relations with a government that holds sway over one-sixth of the earth's surface.

The editorial in the renegade Star is no accident. It is part of the propaganda sent out by the underground reactionary organizations in their campaign to block recognition of the Soviet Union by the United States. All the forces of reaction, from the fink agencies to the officialdom of the American Federation of Labor are in a united front for this purpose. And none are more vicious than the renegades who once professed their devotion to the social revolution and their loyalty to the international army of labor.

The word of a stoopigeon is a weak reed to lean on. Morris Gordon received his thirty pieces of silver. He is only one of the many sewer rats who have sought to make money out of their perfidy. But despite the worst that could be done by the stoopigeons, even when they were backed by the gold and armaments of the most powerful imperialists of the world, the Soviet Union survives and was never more powerful than today. The workers and peasants of the Soviet Union are behind their own governments. Bayonets and guns are not needed to keep them loyal. This is more than can be said for capitalist governments that are propped up by the sword.

The American working class are not going to be fooled by the hired lies of stoopigeons. There is ample evidence from men and women of reliability that the living conditions of the workers and peasants of the Soviet Union is improving while the condition of the workers in every country in Europe is on the downgrade. It is clear to all that the Soviet Union is a factor for peace in world politics and a tower of strength to the struggling masses of oppressed peoples everywhere.

The Political Prisoners' Holiday Fund

The International Labor Defense is collecting a Christmas fund for political prisoners in American jails and penitentiaries.

It is planned to send each of them \$25.

This small sum will be a sort of payment—a very meager one—on account of the debt owed by the working class to its most fearless fighters.

Sacco and Vanzetti, still in the shadow of the electric chair, Tom Mooney, buried for more than ten years behind the dismal walls of San Quentin; Warren Billings wearing his life away in Folsom; the Centralia fighters in Walla Walla, serving forty years for defending their hall against the attack of the American Legion and other tools of the lumber trust; the I. W. W. prisoners in California, sentenced under the vicious criminal syndicalism law of that state for the crime of trying to organize workers, the framed-up textile strikers in Passaic—these are a few of the workers to whom the holiday gift of the American working class made thru the International Labor Defense will be sent.

Poorly situated as a worker may be, engaged in a heart-breaking struggle both for a livelihood and against capitalist oppression, he can still spare something out of his scant store for a cause such as this for these contributions are a pledge made by the working class that those who have been taken prisoner by the enemy have not been forgotten by their comrades-in-arms.

Do not forget your comrades in jail as the holiday season rolls around. There are no holidays in jail.

Support the campaign of the International Labor Defense by giving yourself and getting your fellow workers to do the same.

Build a united front of working class comradeship for the imprisoned fighters of the working class.

DR. JOHNSON, COLORED PRESIDENT OF HOWARD UNIVERSITY, TALKS OF NEGRO

Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson, first Negro president of Howard University of Washington, a race institution, who spoke Sunday before the Chicago Forum, indicated afterwards in a private conversation that he heartily approved of the American Negro Labor Congress.

In the question period, he was asked if it was not true that the Negro acted frequently as a strikebreaker. He said in reply: "What can you expect if the Negro is excluded from your unions and he and his family are hungry because of lack of opportunity of employment? The unions should be interested in a high wage—not merely in a high white wage. Admit the Negro to your unions, then strike—and see what will happen."

He pleaded not for equality for the Negro, but for equality of opportunity. "Give every Negro an equal chance with the whites, and then let him be consigned to any status that he shows himself fit for, but no more."

Recounting the achievements of the race since its emancipation, he said they owned property to the value of \$1,800,000,000, had acquired 34,000 square miles of land, and had sent 10,000 of their number thru college.

He pictured the struggles of the emancipated Negro, divided by a social line from the whites of the South and thus cut off from a cultural contact that they needed. He told of the courageous northerners who faced ostracism to come to live among them and give them a cultural background.

While many southerners treated them justly in a business way, they refused this contact. "This mere justice was not enough; what we craved was the original dignity of a human being."

"It will do no good to measure our

The Facts About "Red Gold"

The All-Russian Council of Trade Unions Tells the Facts of the Financial Assistance Rendered by the Workers of the Soviet Union to Their Striking British Brothers

THERE has been much talk about "Russian gold," not only during the great British strike when millions of dollars raised by the Russian workers were sent to help their struggling British brothers, but before this in England and elsewhere, no less than in America where every militant movement is charged with being financed by "Russian gold." The story that runs in the adjoining columns is more than a mere statement of the truth concerning the origin of the money sent from the Soviet Union to help the British strikers—it is a tale of working-class solidarity, the spirit of which swept the victorious working class of the Soviet Republic in a vast, all-embracing movement unequalled in the whole history of labor. There is something romantic about this report of the All-Russian Council of Trade Unions—the crumpled note of the old working woman, the ringing challenge to capitalism contained in the plain-speaking resolutions of the workers in the factory, the insistence of the workers to pay a full day's wages into the strike fund when they were solicited to pay only a quarter. The ready self-sacrifice which as yet none too well-paid workers of the Soviet Union (because their struggle for economic independence from the capitalist encirclement and the heritage of the czars is a slow and tortuous one) is told in this report and constitutes a real working class epic. The account here republished is a number of extracts from a more exhaustive study issued by the Labor Research Department of London. It was translated from the report of the All-Russian Council of Trade Unions by Eden and Cedar Paul, well-known English translators. The foreword by A. J. Cook is also the foreword to the original publication and the two state notes that appear in the box are taken from a fly leaf of the pamphlet.

Spontaneous Reaction to the General Strike.

THE news of the general strike in Britain aroused throughout Russia a tremendous and elemental outburst of enthusiasm, a primary manifestation of working-class solidarity. No words can describe the excitement that prevailed in the streets and squares, and wherever men and women were gathered together at work. At the end of the day's work, from every public building, from every factory and workshop, there poured forth columns of demonstrators with flags flying, bands playing, and slogans streaming in the wind—all wending their way towards the trade union headquarters of the city. There was no room in the great square for even a fifth part of the demonstrators. At the most modest estimate, more than one hundred thousand persons must have taken part in it.

While the meeting was in progress, the central areas of the city, where the speeches were being reported by loud speakers, were so greatly congested that the buses and trams had to be stopped. Comrade Oliver, the chairman of the British delegation of railway men, who was in Kharkov at the time, took part in the demonstration. Be it noted that this demonstration was on May 5, the day before the decision of the All-Russian Central Council of Trade Unions to send financial support to the British strikers was made public. On their own initiative, the Kharkov workers had made banners bearing the slogan: "Brothers! Expect from us not only words of cheer, but also material aid." This affords the best possible evidence of what the Russian workers were thinking and feeling during the first days of the general strike.

Similar spontaneous demonstrations occurred in a great many towns, such as Tomsk, Tambov, Vladimirk, etc. Everywhere workers and employees participated in their thousands, and everywhere on their own initiative the masses raised the question of sending material aid.

Thousands of Meetings.

THUS, there were street demonstrations in a good many places, but indoor meetings were practically universal. There was not a factory or workshop, there was not a government or municipal institution throughout the vast territories of the Soviet Republic, in which there was not held,

CURRENT EVENTS

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

(Continued from page 1)
money from them, painfully. But can you take blood out of a turnip?

STREETCAR employes seem to be much the same the world over. Or should we say streetcar "leaders"? Be that as it may, the street railway workers of Tokio went on strike, but called it off on account of the illness of the emperor, who seems to be pulling off a "Ferdy of Roumania" stunt. The action of the Tokio streetcar men reminds us of the Cleveland electric employes, who cancelled a strike lest it might inconvenience a G. O. P. convention. Their reward was the usual one. The employers refused to recognize their union, and the courts declared that a union in a public service is illegal. We are waiting to hear what will happen to our Tokio brothers after the emperor passes away.

COOLIDGE economy is now under fire from the big enthusiasts. It is all very well to reduce taxes to a minimum, but the patriots must have something for their trouble. The professional militarists must be able to look forward to a well-fed and well-groomed future, and what are the wives and daughters of our ruling classes going to do without a good supply of officers to grace their parlors? We have not one-tenth of the needed supply now, and the demand is terrific. Yes, Cal, look out! You may be going a little too far. If you were only as nice to the big navy lads

as you are to the bootleggers and the anti-saloon league, your chances of election would be brighter!

COOLIDGE is not unmindful of all these requirements. Neither is he blind to the necessity of a sufficient floating armada to defend the interests of American capitalism from Nicaragua to China. Calvin is taking good care of Wall Street's interests. But an election campaign is coming on and the lads who are hungry for more pork are making a noise. Wichels, in his book on political parties, explains quite satisfactorily the meaning of the tricks employed by those who want to Jimmy themselves into an inner circle. A vigorous attack is as good as any method yet discovered. A few chunks of pork thrown at the big navy boys will make them see reason. Shipyards must be kept busy.

NO more encouraging piece of news came over the wires in many months than the story of how a Russian scientist succeeded in transplanting various organs of one monkey to six human patients. The patients and the monkey are doing fine, according to reports. What we are anxious to find out, is the effect of the transplantation on the intellectual faculties of the humans. Should there be quickening of mentality observable after the operations perfect monkeys will be rare in America, but so will brainless human beings provided the monkey supply is adequate.

the expression of class consciousness. The trade union organizations merely voiced the general sentiments of the working masses:

This is proved by thousands, nay by tens of thousands, of resolutions passed without a dissentient, one and all relating to the need for a levy on wages in aid of the British strikers.

HERE is an almost literal translation of the terms in which the workers embodied their determination to send monetary aid. The incident took place at the largest of all the factories in Moscow—the Sickle and Hammer, where several thousand workers are employed.

The secretary of the factory committee, at a general meeting devoted to the discussion of the British general strike, spoke as follows after the resolution had been adopted:

"Comrades, since we have decided to give material as well as moral aid, I propose that we should send to the British workers a quarter of a day's earnings."

"Not enough!"

"Half a day's earnings would be better."

"A day's earnings," the cry came from all sides.

Then one of the workers mounted the platform and made the following proposal:

"For the period from the 1st of May to 5th, let us send a quarter day's pay; from the 6th to the 9th, half a day's pay; and from the 10th onwards, a whole day's pay."

"Good! Vote!"

"Those in favor?"

Fifteen hundred hands were tumultuously flung into the air.

"Against?"

"What are you talking about?" someone angrily exclaimed.

—(*Pravda*, May 13, 1926.)

Such was the Russian workers' mood everywhere. Even after the All-Russian Central Council of Trade Unions had issued its circular imposing a levy of one-quarter of a day's pay upon all the organized workers, many of the meetings voted considerably larger contributions.



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One of the young fellows who had taught at Dan Irving's labor college was in New York, and Bunny met him, and they talked about what was going on in the labor movement all over the world. Bunny would have liked to meet him again, and to go to meetings—there were so many exciting things in the great city, headquarters of the radical movement as of everything else.

But Vee found out about this, and set out to see him—just as if he had wanted to smoke opium or drink absinthe! She would make engagements for him, and claim his time, and question him, with an anxious, "Where is my wandering boy tonight?" sort of an air. Bunny knew, of course, that she was doing it for his soul's salvation, and doubtless at Dad's direct request; but all the same it was a bore.

He had one other acquaintance, to whom Vee made no objection—his mother. She had married again some time ago, and her husband was rich, and she had a lovely home, so she had written. Bunny went to see her, and had to make an extreme effort not to reveal his consternation at her appearance.

A dreadful example of what happened to a woman who yielded to her craving for a square meal! Mamma had filled out till she was round as a ball of butter, and so soft that it was hard to keep together on a hot day like this. "Fair, fat, and forty," runs the saying; the surgeons add, "and a bad gall bladder," but Bunny didn't know that, and neither did Mamma. She was dressed like a queen in her honor, and had a poodle dog—selected, as Vee would have said, to match her figure. Her husband was a dealer in jewelry, and apparently he used his wife instead of a safe. She insisted on giving Bunny a diamond ring, and when he told her about the strike, she gave him another to be sold for the strikers' relief fund. Oil men were cruel, said Mamma—she knew.

Dad was attending to the business which had brought him East. He didn't say much about it, and that was unusual, so Bunny knew it was something off color. Presently he wormed it out of his father. It had to do with those naval reserve leases they were planning to get President Harding had been inaugurated, and had made Barney Brockway his attorney-general, according to schedule, and appointed Vernon Roscoe's man as secretary of the interior. This was Senator Crisby, an old party hack who had served Roscoe and O'Reilly when they were occupied in turning out one Mexican administration and putting in another; they had held over the Mexicans' heads the threat of American intervention, and this Crisby, as senator from Texas, had clamored for war, and almost got it. He couldn't let women alone, Dad said, and so he was always busted, and ready for any new job that came along.

Now he was to give the oil men a whole string of valuable leases for practically nothing; but he had to have more money, there were a lot of fellows that had to have a lot more money. That was the trouble in dealing with politicians; you bought them before election, and then you had to buy them again after election. They wouldn't "stay put," like business men. What Dad had come on here for was to consult a lawyer that Verne considered the greatest in the country, and fix up a little corporation for the purpose of buying government officials legally. Of course, Dad didn't put it in those crude words, but that was what it amounted to. Bunny insisted, and how could it be done? Dad answered that a real good lawyer could do anything. This was going to be a Canadian corporation, so that it wouldn't have to obey United States laws; and the men that took stock in it were to get their leases in the end. But the trouble was, nobody could be sure just what the leases would be worth, and Pete O'Reilly and Fred Orpen were trying to make Dad and Verne get into the pugnacity into politics and entered parliament as a liberal. For some time he has been swinging more and more to the labor party, but he recently declared formally his switch in parties.

The rationalization of this fairy tale is this: Commander Kenworthy, who served in the royal navy from 1902 to 1920 and who was the boxing champion of the fleet, carried his pugnacity into politics and entered parliament as a liberal. For some time he has been swinging more and more to the labor party, but he recently declared formally his switch in parties.

Under British law, this necessitated a bye-election, in which Kenworthy stood on the labor ticket to succeed himself as a liberal. He won with 16,145 votes, against 11,466 for his conservative opponent, with the liberal candidate as an also-ran with 2,885 votes.

When Kenworthy succeeds his father as a peer he will automatically be barred from sitting among the peers.

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